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EDITORIAL

The idea behind this year's magazine, as we hope you will notice, was to change its image. Pressures within the school have persuaded us to modify the section formerly known as "Notes and News", and we hope that this article is now more readable and equally as acceptable.

A drastic revision of the magazine is completely out of the question in only one year, and therefore the change has to be gradual. If you, the school, sincerely want a more light-hearted "Record", it is up to you to submit your suggestions to the committee members; their difficult task cannot be successfully accomplished without your assistance.

Our grateful thanks go to Miss Bywater and Mr. Oldham for their invaluable assistance throughout the year, and also to the hard-working and able committee.

Pamela Richardson, David Parkes.

REPORT AND GOSSIP

Here's our report:

First of all we would like to welcome Mrs. Emerson who has come to teach maths., physics and chemistry. We hope she is very happy in her appointment. We also have pleasure in welcoming Mrs. Wise, who has taken up the appointment of laboratory assistant. We regret that Mr. Sidey, who teaches history and English, is to take up a post at Blackdown County Secondary School in the autumn. The school will suffer a temporary loss when Mr. Clark, our Latin Master, attends a course for the Diploma in Curricular Education at the University of Nottingham from September 1968 until July 1969.

At Christmas the annual carol service was held in Alcester Parish Church, the service being conducted by the Rector, the Reverend Stally. Lessons were read by the Rector, the Headmaster, Pamela Richardson, R. C. Savage, Meryll Newborough, D. G. Parkes, Elizabeth Downie, Vivien Davies and A. Fox.

A service was also organised in school at Easter by Miss Gibbs and Mrs. Price in which the fifth form drama group, the choir and several readers took part.

Again the school has taken an interest in raising funds for charity. A total of £70 10s. 2d. was raised by the members of the Doctor Barnardo's League and £13 1s. by the sale of spastic seals at Christmas.

After the untimely death of R. Guillaume of VL. the school held a collection, the funds of which were given for research into asthma. We extend our sincere sympathy to his parents and friends.

And now the gossip:

The year began with a "bang" (literally with some boys) when milk suddenly appeared in cartons. After the showering of several "intolerant" prefects this new trend was crushed. To add to the latters' already arduous tasks the government increased the cost of school meals by 50% to the awkward sum of 1/6d. — very trying for non-mathematicians!

At the end of the autumn term we were all entertained by the annual rendering entitled the "Christmas Concert". We were all amused by Margaret Ison's excellent interpretation of a witch in the sketch presented by the fifth form drama group. Alison Brazii and S. Mogg appeared as rather "stupid country yokels" (although we are assured they are not) when they sang "in harmony" "A Hole in My Bucket". In harmony, however, were Mr. Holmes and the sixth form folk group and music was also provided by Beale of

the fifth form. Another "extraction" from the concert was a dental scene by the lower sixth which was a "screaming" success. Serious drama was provided by Parker and Still who presented an unusual item, a Pinter play. The fourth form drama group added their contribution with a short play. Everybody's thanks go to Mrs. Price for all her hard work in organising the concert.

When the editors interviewed Mr. Holmes, the games' master, as to his whereabouts at the end of the spring term and the acquisition of a considerable amount of camping and mountaineering eqiupment, they were told that the absentee had attended a mountain leadership course in the Lake District. In the true Grammar School tradition he successfully completed the course and for his efforts the Education Authorities issued the school with the equipment. Expeditions are hoped to begin next term.

Mr. Holmes and Mrs. Bonham patiently instructed the junior forms in the delicate art of country dancing in preparation for the intended junior Christmas party. After many trying lessons and many bruised feet (those of the teachers included) the basic steps were mastered in time for the event and it proved an over-

whelming success.

In the same mood, the staff attended, at the invitation of the sixth form, a country-dance social with tea served by the sixth form girls. This again was enjoyed by all. There have been more staff and sixth form socials this year, all of which, we hope, have been enjoyed and we trust this trend will continue. A memorable event was the hockey match when the sixth form challenged the staff. A lot of support was shown by the school — who seemed, on the whole, to support the staff (traitors!) — and who witnessed a weary and rather demoralised sixth form after the staff scored the equalising goal in the last few minutes of the battle. However, the sixth form regained their dignity when they defeated the staff by fifteen sets to ten at the tennis social held at the end of the summer term. The tables were reversed when several less energetic members of the sixth form challenged the staff to a game of croquet.

The academic year has been frequently interrupted by various excursions. Judging by the response to those excursions we presume that pupils are indebted to the organisers who relieved them for a short while from their school work. Theatre trips, particularly those for the sixth form, have been numerous and arts students have welcomed the opportunity of seeing plays which they were studying. Service, music and art interests have been catered for and the energetic ones have been able to stretch their limbs on Mr. Johnson's (very long) walking expeditions.

This seems to complete the year's activities and we apologise if

we have neglected any events.

Pamela Richardson, D. Parkes.

SPEECH DAY

Speech Day was held on Wednesdtay, 13th March; Doctor F. H. Hilliard, Professor of Education in the University of Birmingham, presented the prizes and certificates and gave an interesting address. The Chair was taken by Mrs. A. B. Quinney, J.P. Prizes were presented to the following pupils:-

Form IM. Susan Robertson, D. J. Hughes, Helen Bott. Form IS I. T. Draycott, Julia Nock, Wendy Salmon. Form IIM. Roslyn Weaver, Rosemary Woodcock. Form IIS. Susan Bond, Rosemary John, Rosamund Bell. Form IIM. M. A. Smith, Hilary Madge, Susan Moore. Form IIIS. Celia Reddall, P. R. F. Heath. Form IV L. M. Beale, B. Hayball, Stella Michell. Form IV S. Suzanne Dobney, J. H. Walker, A. Loader. Form VM. Susan Holder, Jacqueline Howard, Stephanie Bradshaw. Form VS. S. M. Jones, Jean Wright.

Form Lower V. Arts — C. Savage, Pamela Richardson. Science — A. Fox, R. Wilson.

Form Upper VI. R. J. Smith, Judith Bell.

"Ernest Walker" Memorial Prize — Jacqueline Howard. "Mason Cup" — M. A. Smith. "Spencer Cup" — R. J. Smith. Head Boy's Prize — R. J. Smith. Head Girl's Prize — Carol Rimell.

GIRLS' GAMES 1967-68

HOCKEY MATCHES

1st XI Fixtures and Results

1967 Evesham, lost 7-0 Solihull, won 3-2 Kineton, won 4-2 Campden, lost 5-2 Worcester, drew 2-2 1968 Worcester, won 3-2 Redditch, drew 1-1 Stratford, lost 3-1

Regular members of the 1st XI:-Anthea Jaggard (Captain), Jill Webley, Vivien Davies, Pamela Richardson, Linda Henson, Anne Perkins, Anne Yates, Audrey Rogers, Janine Janus, Jackie Gray, Jane Beale, Gillian Howard, Judith Orange.

One 2nd XI match against Evesham, when the team lost 2-1. 2nd XI Solihull — lost 3-1

U.12

lost 11-1

U.15. Fixtures and Results

Evesham, lost 1-0

Solihull, won 4-2

Kineton, won 5-2

Campden. lost 6-3

Worcester, lost 7-0 Worcester, lost 4-1 Redditch, lost 3-2 Stratford. won 4-0

Regular team members:-

Celia Reddall (captain), Janet Watts. Rachel Jones, Margaret Cullum, Helen Orange, Miriam Taylor, Susan Thomas, Shirley Graudumnicks, Hilary Madge, Anne Lawrence, Sarah Douglas, Teresa Gay, Diane Davis, Gillian Clifford.

U.14. Fixtures and Results

Solihull, lost 5-1

Campden, drew 2-2 Worcester, lost 7-0 Redditch, lost 6-0

Regular team members:-

Mary Seeney, Linda Warran, Jean Kennedy, Helen Bott, Anita Faulkener, Lorraine Feat, Carolyne Roseblade, Bronwyn Rees, J. Nocks, Susan Bond, Roslyn Weaver, Beverly Ulyatt.

Hockey colours were received by: - Anne Perkins, Jill Webley, Vivien

Davies.

HOUSE MATCHES

Senior

1st Spencer — won 1, drew 1

2nd Newport — won 1, lost 1

3rd Wells — drew 1, lost 1

Junior

1st Spencer — won 2

2nd wells — won 1 lost 1

3rd Newport — lost 2

ROUNDERS MATCHES

Fixtures and Results

Bromsgrove

U.14 U.13

lost innings $4-4\frac{1}{2}$ won $4-1\frac{1}{2}$

lost $2\frac{1}{2}$ -1 Evesham

won 6-2 won $3-2\frac{1}{2}$ Campden

Members of U.14 IX: Teresa Cyrkunrwicz, Anita Summers, Teresa Gay, Bronwyn Rees, Anna Bootle, Anne Lawrence, Anna Chojnaska, Susan Thomas, J. Davies, Peta Bland, Roslyn Weaver.

Members of U.13 IX:

Mary Seeney, Anita Faulkener, Linda Warran, Jean Kennedy, Susan Burrows, Beverly Ullyatt, Carolyne Roseblade, Loraine Fear, Wendy Gill, Jane Badger.

TENNIS MATCHES

Fixtures and Results

1st VI Redditch won 5-4

2nd VI Abandoned with Redditch leading.

Bromsgrove Evesham

won 7-2 'A' VI lost 5-4

lost 5-4 Junior VI only one Evesham couple turned up

won 2-1 won 8-1

won 8-1

Campden

Members of 1st VI:

Pamela Richardson, Jill Webley, Linda Henson, Vivien Davies, Anne Yates, Anthea Jaggard.

Members of 2nd VI:

Anne Perkins, Audrey Rogers, Meryll Newborough, Elizabeth Downie, Jane Beale, Jackie Gray.

Colours received by: Anne Yates, Vivien Davies, Anne Perkins

Audrey Rogers.

Despite the fact that the hockey teams did not do exceptionally well the team members played together as a team and will probably do better next year. Vivien Davies was the highest goal scorer and played very well for the first XI.

This year the first tennis VI played very well and remain unbeaten. The first couple, Pamela Richardson and Jill Weblev, were the mainstay of the first VI and played in every match except one.

The boys' and the girls' tennis tournaments were very well supported and the players who reached the finals produced very exciting tennis. The girls' singles was won by Anthea Jaggard who beat Pamela Richardson 6-2, 6-2. In the girls' doubles final Pamela Richardson and Audrey Rogers were beaten by Anthea Jaggard and Vivien Davies who won 6-4, 2-6, 6-3.

The boys' singles was again won by Paul Lester who beat Chris Wright 6-3, 6-4. The boys' doubles between J. Yapp and M. Japp and C. Saunders and C. Wright was won by C. Saunders and C.

Wright 2-6, 6-2, 6-3.

BOYS' GAMES REPORT

Senior rugby teams enjoyed a reasonably successful, though short, season in which several memorable games were played. Unfortunately the lack of a consistent kicker proved a stumbling block in an otherwise sound team which has moulded together well throughout the sason.

Undoubted y the most exciting match was against Bidford High School at Bidford which we lost by twenty points to nineteen; the outcome was in doubt until the final whistle and the final kick

of the match.

Junior rugby teams have enjoyed a successful season too with several sound wins. The establishment of rugby as the winter sport for the past few years has allowed the lower forms to perfect their skills from the age of eleven onwards, and many of them show a great deal of promise, particularly in tackling, an art which has been sadly neglected with most senior players.

However, next season promises to be a good one for all teams

concerned.

RUGBY: SEASON '67-/'68

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Under 13's XV
    Alcester v Chipping Norton, won 8-6 (A)
    Alcester v Chipping Norton, drew 6-6 (H)
Under 14 XV
    Alcester v Chipping Norton, won 30-0 (H)
Alcester v Bidford, lost 17-3 (H)
    Alcester v Watt Close, lost 19-11 (H)
    Alcester v Four Pools, won 13-11 (H)
    Alcester v Cheltenham, won 15-13 (A)
Under 16 XV
    Alcester v Bidford, lost 20-19 (A)
    Alcester v Walkwood, won 15-0 (A)
    Alcester v Bidford, won 29-6 (H)
    Alcester v Bishop's Cleeve. lost 13-11 (A)
    Alcester v Four Pools, lost 17-0 (H)
    Alcester v Four Pools, lost 20-8 (A)
    Alcester v Cheltenham, lost 29-0 (A)
    Alcester v Watt Close, won 6-3 (A)
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CRICKET 1968

The Ist XI were greatly disappointed, as the majority of their matches were cancelled owing to the rain. However in the two remaining matches we won one and lost one. Most of the team can be commended for their standard of play.

Against Worcester Teacher's Training College, playing a team considerably older and experienced than ourselves we achieved a very pleasing victory. At tea Worcester declared at 135 for 4 wickets. At the close of play we were 136 for 6 wickets.

M. Yapp scored 40, J. Yapp 29, M. Burn 32, J. Gidlow 21. At Greenmore College we could only play a 25 over match which we lost by 45 runs.

Next year we hope to have more fixtures unaffected by the weather.

Cricket colours were awarded to Michael Burn.

TENNIS RESULTS

Junior Boys' Singles — Peter Dawe.

Senior Boys' Singles — Paul Lester

Senior Boys' Doubles — Christopher Saunders and Christopher Wright

Senior Girls' Singles — Anthea Jaggard

Senior Girls' Doubles — Anthea Jaggard and Vivien Davies

CROSS-COUNTRY 1968

M. Walker repeated his victory in the Senior Cross-Country, leading the field from the start and finishing comfortably with a hundred yards lead over the second runner, G. Pithie and the third man, C. Ricketts.

Mills won the junior event, followed in by Handy and Fletcher respectively.

Overall team placings

Junior — Wells (1st), Spencer, Newport. Senior — Newport (1st), Wells, Spencer.

C. Saunders.

SPORTS DAY

The annual sports were held on Thursday, July 11th. Torrential rain on the previous night cast doubt on whether the sports would be held, but all events except the long jump and relays were decided on the day. A large number of people braved the floods and rain to attend and it was encouraging to see so many present. The weather forced the sports to be abandoned before the presentation of cups, shields and medals by Mrs. D. O'Connor.

The usual exhibition of arts and crafts in the hall was of a high standard this year and some interesting and ingenious devices were shown in the Science exhibition.

The afternoon was completed when parents and friends took tea with the staff.

Results

Boys

100 yards Senior Boys: 1. Ricketts, C. (10.9 secs.); 2. Lester; 3. Walker, S.;

4. Jones, S. 100 yards 4th Form Boys: 1. Haines (11.5 secs.) 2. Green; 3. Still; 4. Loader.

100 yards 3rd Form Boys: 1. Blount (11.5 secs.); 2. Fletcher; 3. Eden; 4. Ricketts.

1. 100 yards 2nd Form Boys: 1. Ashton (13 secs.); 2. Gunter; 3. Crump; 4. Redding.

- 100 yards 1st Form Boys: 1. Freeman (13.3 secs.); 2. Weatherhead; 3. Truslove; 4. Seeney.
- 1 mile Senior Boys: 1. Marsh (5 min. 9.8 secs.); 2. Pithie; 3. Yapp, J.; 4. Saunders, T.
- 880 yards Inter Boys: 1. Still (2 min. 32.6 secs); 2. Handy. 3. Loader; 4. Hayne.
- 220 yards Senior Boys: 1. Ricketts, C. (25.7 secs.); 2. Lester; 3. Yapp, J.; 4. Marsh.
- 220 yards Inter Boys: 1. Hayne (28 secs.); 2. Blount; 3. Green; 4. Still.
- 220 yards Junior Boys: 1. Gunter (32.2 secs.); 2. Redding; 3. Mayle; 4. Lancaster, A.
- 880 yards Junior Boys: 1. Freeman (2 min. 52.5 secs.); 2. Ashton; 3. Seeney.
- 440 yards Senior Boys: 1. Walker, M. (58.6 secs.); 2. Marsh: 3. Eagleton
- Long Jump Senior Boys: 1. Ricketts, C.; 2. Lester; 3. Saunders, C.
- Javelin Junior Boys: 1. Charlton (75 ft. 6"); 2. Smith; 3. Richardson; 4. Reading.
- Javelin Senior Boys: 1. Rieketts, C. $(119' 6\frac{1}{2}'')$; 2. Burn; 3. Yapp, J.; 4. Gidlow.
- High Jump Inter Boys: 1. Green (4' 9"); 2. Still; 3. Hayne; 4. Dawe.
- Discus Inter Boys: 1. Clulee (90' 1"); 2. Loader; 3. Hayne; 4. Fletcher.

Girls

- 100 yards Senior Girls: 1. P. Beddows (13.0 secs.); 2. J. Janus; 3. J. Gray; 4. A. Rogers.
- 100 yards 3rd Form Girls: 1. S. Bond (13.0secs); 2. A. Bootle; 3. R. Woodcock; 4. A. Lawrence.
- 100 yards 2nd Form Girls: 1. J. Kennedy (13.1 secs.); 2. S. Burrows; 3. A. Dobney; 4. L. Warman.
- 100 yards 1st Form Girls: 1. J. Peskett (13.8 secs.); 2. L. Manley; 3. S. Wilkes; 4. J. Coffee.
- 150 yards Junior Girls: 1. J. Kennedy (20.9 secs.); 2. S. Burrows; 3. D. Blakey; 4. J. Coffee.
- 150 yards Inter Girls: 1. A. Lawrence (20.5 secs.); 2. A. Bootle; 3. S. Bond; 4. T. Gay.
- High Jump Inter Girls: 1. A. Bootle (4' 11"); 2. S. Bond; 3. S. Douglas; 4. A. Lawrence.
- Discus Senior Girls: 1. A. Rogers (79.9' new record); 2. V. Hale; 3. J. Gay; 4. J. Janus.
- Discus Inter Girls: 1. S. Douglas $(63' \ 1\frac{1}{2}'')$; 2. B. Rees; 3. A. Lawrence; 4. R. Woodcock.
- Javeline Inter Girls: 1. S. Thomas (57' 9").; 2. S. Douglas; 3. C. Butler.
- Tug of War Senior Boys: 1. Newport; 2. Spencer.
- 4 ×110 yards relay Lower School Girls: 1. Wells; 2. Newport; 3. Spencer.
- 4 × 110 yards relay Upper School Boys: 1. Newport; 2. Spencer; 3. Wells.
- 4 × 110 yards relay Upper School Girls: 1. Newport; 2. Spencer; 3. Wells.
- 4 × 110 yards relay Lower School Boys; 1. Newport; 2. Spencer; 3. Wells
- Boys' Mass Relay 24 × 110 yards: 1. Newport; 2. Spencer; 3. Wells.

SPORTS DAY PRESENTATIONS

Cross-Country House Cup:

1. Wells, 413 points; 2. Newport, 462 points; 3. Spencer 495 points.

Cross-Country (Individual) Senior Cup: Walker, M.

Games Shield:

1. Newport, 50 points; 2. Spencer, 38 points; 3. Wells, 20 points.

Girls Bronze Medals: J. Janus, S. Bond, S. Burrows, J. Kennedy.

Boys' Bronze Medals: Marsh, Lester, Blount, Still, Clulee, Loader. Charlton, Crump Redding.

Girls' Silver Medals:

A. Rogers, S. Douglas, L. Manley, J. Peskett, A. Bootle.

Boys' Silver Medals: Ricketts, C., Green, Hayne, Freeman, Gunter.

Junior Victrix Ludorum Cup: S. Douglas,

Victrix Ludorum, Cup: A. Rogers.

Victor Ludorum (Senior) Cup: Ricketts, C.

Girls' Sports Cup:

1. Spencer 198½ points; 2. Wells 144 points; 3. Newport 97½ points.

Boys' Sports Cup:

1. Wells $227\frac{1}{2}$ points; 2. Spencer 216 points; 3. Newport $197\frac{1}{2}$ points Sports Shield:

1. Spencer $414\frac{1}{2}$ points; 2. Wells $371\frac{1}{2}$ points; 3. Newport 295 points

.C Equivaled to a ARTS AND CRAFTS

Bronze Medals: R. Wilson 70 points; C. Reddall 72 points; S. Kirby 73 points; J. Baldwin 74 points; G. Long 78 points; W. Fisher 82 points; J. Rigby 91 points; G. Clifford 93 points; L. Castle 93 points; S. Gladwin 100 points; V. Wilkes 112 points; M. Whateley 113 points.

Silver, Medals: D. Hands 140 points; R. Flynn 145 points; R. Woodward 153 points; J. Green 204 points; R. John 223 points; E. Downie 281 points won the cup.

HOUSE RESULTS

Spencer 1,014 points; Wells 1,453 points; Newport 1,942 points won the Shield.

HISTORY SOCIETY

There has been no activity in the history society this term, but in the previous two terms a number of films have been shown which were well received. The best was undoubtedly 'Speed the Plough', a film produced by British Petroleum, describing the developments in English agriculture from earliest times to the present day.

A number of interesting objects have been placed into the history museum case in room 7 from time to time, but the number of people willing to loan objects has decreased.

The model building side to the Society has been a non-starter. This is a pity for it would be both instructive and interesting for pupils to construct plans and build models of historical interest. I hope that in the future this will be done.

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BIOLOGY FIELD CLUB

Our only successful meetings this year have been those given advance publicity, having some definite subject and followed up by trials or experiment as for example in 'Water Divining' and 'Psychic Phenomena'. Thus the school appears to be built on a dense watery mass of springs, underground streams and old wells if our more sensitive dowsers are to be believed. William Shakespeare himself appeared to a favoured group of experimenters in the Biology Laboratory.

Various projects have been started but our initial enthusiasm has not carried any of them to a tidy conclusion despite the offer of prizes.

This year's excursion was to Bristol Zoo, and the southern Malverns, where the more vigorous members of the party climbed through rain into the clouds to see what they could of the geology and vegetation. Blue-spotted sheep clipped like poodles were the only other animals encountered on the upper slopes where S. Potts demonstrated skiing on wet grass without skis.

The Society badly needs new ideas for meetings and an energetic core of members to keep it active and alive in future

terms.

Specially prominent in this year's activities have been S. Mogg (President), S. Potts, Susan Thomas, Sheila Cooke, H. Hodgkins, R. Dolphin, and R. Gooderick.

BADMINTON AND TENNIS CLUBS

This year there has been a badminton club for members of the upper and lower sixths. This was replaced in the summer term by a tennis club. The sixth form wish to thank Mr. Petheridge, Mr. Sidey and Mr. Holmes for officiating over these clubs and thus making them possible.

Pamela Richardson, U.VI.

FOLK CLUB

This year Mr. Holmes and Mr. Johnson organised a folk club open to fifth and sixth formers. Active sixth formers in this club were Brian Jones, Denise Hands, Elizabeth Downie and Diana Boland. At first, weekly meetings drew large audiences and it seemed as if room 5 would not be large enough to accommodate everyone. However, as examinations drew near attendances dropped abruptly. It is sincerely hoped that this was only because of pressure of work and that a lively interest will be shown at the beginning of the autumn term.

Pamela Richardson and D. Parkes, U.VI.,

THE STAMP CLUB (GEMFT STAMPS)

Regular meetings have been held during the winter and a film strip about Commonwealth stamps was shown in the physics lab., to an encouragingly large audience, at both showings.

Our thanks are especially due to Mr. Clarke for furthering the movement, and he will be sadly missed by the club over the next year.

J. R. Tedstone, L.VI.M. and A. D. Godfrey, L.VI.S.

BARNARDO'S HELPERS' LEAGUE

May I make a plea for more support? Our total contribution for the year 1967-8 was £70 10s 2d. This is of course a good sum which includes a number of excellent individual efforts and I am very grateful for it. Nevertheless it is £18 less than our contribution of the previous year which itself was a drop on that of the year before. So you can see that there is cause for concern. We need more members and better collections from all our members.

Of course there are more causes to support these days and we as a school have contributed to quite a number this term. However, Dr Barnardo's Homes have been our special cause for many years and we therefore have a special responsibility to them. With prices rising all round they need more money to meet their demands, which now include the support of special homes for handicapped children. I do hope that some of you who are not already members will feel that you can join our branch of the League.

H.M.H.

LOWER SIXTH FORM NOTES

Firstly we would like to welcome five new members to the sixth form. They are P. Flewellen, M. Marsh, S. Potts, C. Ricketts and R. Woodward. We hope they enjoy (if possible) their sixth form years with us.

Because of the increasing number of sixth form students it has been necessary to have two lower sixth forms this year.

Room 14, in the school house was used as a form room for L.VI.S. While alterations were taking place in the house, L.VIS were moved to Room 2. We would like to apologise to Mrs. Rutter for the inconvenience which we caused her.

At Christmas fourteen members of the lower sixth went carol singing and donated the proceeds of £2 10s., to cancer research. We are grateful to all the people who donated so generously.

Congratulations to the students who have passed their driving tests. They are Caroline Hancock, C. Ricketts, S. Mogg and R. Woodward. P. Flewellen has passed his driving test for a motor cycle.

At the end of the Summer Term thirteen of the sixth form invaded Stratford where they went punting on the river. Everyone had an enjoyable time.

Throughout the year groups of students have been ten pin bowling in Birmingham.

During the first term Valerie Harvey left us. S. J. Lamburn left at Easter to join the R,A.F. where he is training to be an engineer. Jennifer Mainwaring moved to Kidderminster at Christmas. She is now attending Kidderminster Girls' Grammar School. D. Watts and A. Morris also left after a brief period in the sixth. We wish success to all these people.

During the Easter term Mrs. Bonham and Mr. Holmes took some of us to Redditch Swimming Baths, for which we want to express our greatest thanks.

The sixth form has certainly been rewarding, both socially and academically, and next year whilst we are in the upper sixth we hope to fulfil all our ambitions.

OLLA PODRIDA

- J.W. of UVI writes about Tennyson's poem entitled "In memoriam" and says, "it is not so much a single allergy as a series of poems written at different times."
- S.R. of VS says: "the butcher had lost all his meat because it had gone rotten, so had the greengrocer."

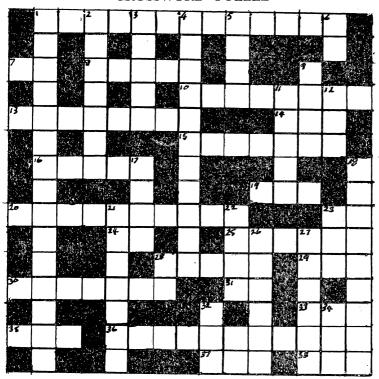
The opposite of "malevolent" is "femalevolent" according to a third former.

- C.J.J. says that if the lower sixth's chemists were amphibious they would be able to stir their solutions and write notes at the same time.
- J.K. of LVIS asked a fellow student: "Are you flying across the Channel in a boat?"
- J.H. of IIIS writes: "Francis tries again to lassoo it and catches it under his long nose" when she is describing the attempt to catch an anteater.
- P.P. asked a student if she was still breathing.
- D.H. of IIIS must be obsessed with the idea of having the cane as he says that the "mark of Cain" is the mark when someone is hit by a cain. Apparently it leaves "red stains".

True or false? — editors.

- According to A.L. of IIM "He (Bottom) was finally annointed to play the part of Pyramus."
- P.P. announced on Sport's Day, "Intermediate Boys 880 yards, 1st P. Still 2 feet 6 secs."
- J.H. of VS says, "Gaugin was a two-dimensional painter."
- A.B. of IIS headed her scripture exercise book "Religious Instructions."

CROSSWORD PUZZLE



Across CLUES

- 1. Life of a person written by himself. 7. You may have this gift that gift. 8. A Sovereign's period of rule. 10. The act of catching fire or setting fire to. 13. A paper containing information, or proof of anything. 14. A fishing instrument. 15. A wife has one. 16. Dismal. 19. An insect. 20. With a snoring sound. 23. A short "thank you". 24. The French for and. 25. Pertaining to the eye. 28. A many-headed monster. 29. Taste and skill. 30. Entrap. 31. On the way? No, just the beginning. 33. To bind up. 35. Used in pens. 36. A preparation of the ground for crops. 37. Solid, liquid or 38. To wound with a sharp instrument. Down
- 1. Control of heat and moisture of air in a room. 2. Severe pain inflicted as a punishment. 3. A bridegroom walks down the aisle with one of these. 4. The study of birds. 5. On the mountains? No, on the plains in Spain. 6. How old-fashioned can you get? 9. Holy hill of Jerusalem. 11. A means of transport. 12. Peculiar. 17. A disturbance of the peace by a crowd. 18. A single room. 21. A period of occupancy. 22. Inflamed, tender. 23. A sailor. 26. A coarse cloth. 27. Pertaining to milk. 28. It is him? No, bad grammar. 32. and delve. 34. A signed acknowledgement of a debt.

PRIZE WINNERS

FOR THE BEST MAGAZINE CONTRIBUTIONS

Book tokens were presented by the Headmaster to the follow-

ing:-

Fifth Form: Prose — "The Walk" by Suzanne Dobney, VS.

Poetry — "Colours" by Gillian Howard, VS.

Middle School: Prose — "The Tranquil Forest" by J. Blount,

IIIS. Poetry — "The Owl" by C. Jolliffe, IIIS.

Junior School: Prose — "The Wild Palomino" by Amanda Dobney. IIS. Poetry — "The Ghosts of Yesterday" by Valerie Wright, IM. Our thanks to Mrs. Allport for kindly judging the contributions.

QUOTATIONS UNLIMITED

School Choir:

'O' twas a din to fright a monsters ear'. (Tempest).

School Dinners:

'Eye of newt and toe of frog Wool of bat and tongue of dog Cool it with a baboon's blood.'

(Macbeth).

P.E.:

'Ay, but yet, Let us be keen and rather cut a little Than fall and bruise to death.'

(Measure for Measure).

End of School Holidays:

O, now for ever

Farewell the tranquil mind, farewell content.'

(Othello).

End of U.VI:

'O times extremity
Hast thou so crack'd and splitted my poor tongue
In seven short years.'

(Comedy of Errors).

After School outdoor trip:

'Never so weary, never so in woe, Bedabbled with the dew and torn with briers.'

(Midsummer Night's Dream).

The Headboy:

'I am a rascal, a scurvy railing knave and a very filthy rogue.'
(Troilus and Cressida).

Who?:

'And what was he? Forsooth a great arithmetician?'

(Othello). Anthea Jaggard,

CONFUSION

Have you ever stopped to think of the difficulties that our colloquial English must give to our visitors from abroad? How can they be expected to understand our idiomatic language that they have never learnt in those grammatical text books? If you have never seriously thought about the confusion that can be found in our language, please think about it now, whilst reading this article.

Let us consider a conversation that I overheard only the other day. I was in a restaurant and I heard a waitress talking to a customer, informing the latter that the meal was ready. When referring to the position of the customer's table the waitress said, "Yes, it's right over in the window." Did the girl actually mean what she had said, or did she simply use the incorrect preposition, thus making her statement rather absurd? Would a French girl have said, "La table est dans la fenêtre" or "La table est près de la fenêtre"?

A foreigner would be perplexed when he or she heard many of our idiomatic phrases, and we only hope that they would not be taken literally. For example, we use the following phrases in their metaphorical sense: "You're pulling my leg", "I'll give you a ring", "lend me a hand", "Look me up"; "Keep your head"; To pay through the nose"; "Keep your hair on"; and You've tied yourself in a knot."

Perhaps our sporting terms are confusing to those people who visit our country. Surely, if we were visitors to England with no knowledge of the language, we would be puzzled, to say the least, to hear that a batsman "had got a duck", and that a certain bowler was on form as "he had bowled yet another maiden over"! But do not be mistaken in thinking that cricket is the only sport in which such "strange" terms are employed. Throughout a tennis match the umpire will call "service", and in hockey it is a common phenomenon to have "bullies". In rowing there is the term "You've caught a crab", a common enough expression. Oh why do we employ such confusing terms?

Not only do idiomatic phrases cause distress to many, but also the English vocabulary with its many synonyms causes headaches. There are many words that seem to be synonymous until they are used in context. We would not say, "the two boys divided and went their different ways" any more than we would say, "the chef separated the melon into eight portions," Consider the adjectives "thin" and "sparse". They both mean "having little thickness", but we would not dream of saying "the sparse man" or "the grass looked thin as there had not been any rain for several weeks."

After thinking about the confusion that can obviously be found in our language I am sure you will agree that foreigners who visit our country do not have an enviable time trying to understand our language.

Pamela Richardson, U.VI

NIGHT

That ebony fortress beyond whose walls We may not see,
The evil done behind her bolted doors We cannot tell,
The murders performed by unseen soldiers We do not hear,
The superficial peace when darkness falls We should not sleep,
The everlasting fight, the unheard calls,
We do not know:
That blissful ignorance which we call night.

Jean Wright, L.VIS.

ENGLAND TO-DAY?

King Richard said a precious jewel set in an emerald sea,
But fortune before that aided him has deserted you and me;
The motherland is pregnant made by black and white and tan,
And the hardy, cross-bred Saxon race is once more a wasted clan.
With trident proud Britainnia ruled Oriental lands,
Till the tenuous, tortuous twists of time tore them from her hands,
The setting sun was never seen beyond the English rule;
Now the stiff upper lip is soft, and the sensuous lip is cruel.
In the breaches of Badajoz or Salamanca's walls,
The Iron Duke proved a man of steel in the bloodiest of mauls.
The faithful red-coated soldier reposed a simple trust,
And the honour of his country was worth the reddened bayonet's
thrust.

Oh where to be found the Morgan, sea-dog, pirate and knave, When he stormed Panama City and the Spaniard fell his slave. To fight, a moral, a right, pertains to the corsair now,

But the barbarous buccaneer of old asked only when and how.
With fierce-tempered John Churchill, to the Danube marched his
force,

Where the Sun King's rays were dimmed and history changed its

changing course,

The glory of France, eclipsed from threatened Vienna's sight, Proved to the distant disbeliever that the only right is might. But those were days not happier, but simpler in their form, When fortune fickle fiend of fate restrained its vicious vexing storm. When a man could believe there was a God, united, English, whole, And he wanted him to save his country, as he wanted him to save his soul.

The culture of the West, was once the culture of this isle, Yet the New World has replaced the old, in idea, thought and style. Our sacrosanct traditions for the feeble now remain, And the pride of ancient England is lost in profit and in gain.

R. C. Savage, U.VI.

THE WALK

She quietly took her place in the chair-filled hall. She was early and she sat looking at the stage, which she knew she would have to ascend soon, and the mass of chairs that would soon be full of faces, hundreds of faces, in front of which she would have to walk. She almost ran out to hide from that thought, but the ridicule she would receive from her friends held her tightly down in her seat. Once again she thought of that twenty yard walk ,that dreaded climb up the steps, the hateful prize-giving and the walk back to her seat.

Was it worth all the embarrassment and terror? Why could not someone else take her place? Why did she have to receive the prize? However, she knew all the answers. She had worked extremely hard during the examinations, willing herself on through the pile of books to be read, the hundreds of notes to be learnt, striving for the honoured prize. Now that she had won it she had one last sacrifice to make — a simple one really, just a short walk and all the work would be reflected in one polished cup.

The hall was now rapidly filling up. All her thoughts were centred on that walk: she must not slip or fall; she must not stoop; she must smile at the headmistress when she shook her hand; she must not blush; so many things to remember. Was it really worth it?

The headmistress had now begun her speech, but she heard nothing. She was still mentally practising that walk. All through the speeches she remained in a black void of terror, dominated by one short walk. The black-grey cloud of fear descended further and further, until her whole mind was fogged over, and then out of the mist, came one definite shape, a name, surely it sounded familiar, yes, Dorothy, Dorothy Spencer; it was her name. She must rise and go, get up and walk, walk, walk.

She never remembered that walk, the climb, the reassuring smile and handshake, or the applause. All she could remember was the last two steps, and then the red mist of relief as she retook her place, the cup securely in her hands. As the mist slowly rose she looked down and saw the silver shimmer, the beautiful shine; it was hers, all hers. Yes, it had all been worth it — all the work and fear. The cup was hers at last; she had won her prize.

Suzanne Dobney, 5S.

COLOURS

Black is the night, The bird of ill-omen, The sky in a thunderstorm, The clothes of sombre gentlemen, Death.

Blue is the sky, The stately kingfisher, The colour you turn with cold, Radiance of the dawining day, Sea.

Green is the grass,
The flowers after rain,
The mosses under the trees,
Feelings of intense jealousy,
Leaves.

White is the dove,
Breath on a frosty night,
The billowy sails of yachts,
The cherry and hawthorn blossoms,
Snow.

Gillian Howard, VS.

THE TRANQUIL FOREST

The forest stood still. A buzzard glided lazily overhead on silent wings, searching for its last meal before the sun fell behind the distant hills.

A magnificent stag walked majestically down towards the

crystal clear waters of a nearby stream. His head was held high, nostrils testing the air for hidden danger. As the beast's face touched the water, the ripples slid smoothly, softly and silently across the water, distorting the stag's image. He drank deeply and then he shot to his feet and thundered off into the forest, crashing though the undergrowth, breaking the silence in his bid to escape the unknown.

J. Blount, IIIS.

THE OWL

As evening tide grows dark And stills the singing of the lark, The night-bound owl awakes; His downy feathers shakes, His hoots ring loud, Neath moonlit cloud. With malignant eye, And character sly, He stalks his prey Till break of day; Then home he flutters; Last hoot he utters. Night's darkness dies With the sun rise. The lark, with sleepy eyes, Flies up and up into the skies.

Clive Jolliffe, 3S.

THE WILD PALOMINO

A flash of gold streaked across a distant hill. It was spring; the grass was a brilliant green and sun shone, with its rays dancing and flickering across the small, cool rivers.

Yachica, a young Palomino colt, galloped through the cool grass, stopping now and again to smell the sweet spring scents, Bees buzzed and birds sang, until there was a beautiful sound filling the country air.

Yachica bucked and reared; he was tempted to roll. His hooves waved freely in the air, knocking out a butterfly that happened to be flying there. He felt a great feeling of joy and happiness surge through his perfect body of horseflesh.

He was a very beautiful colt; his legs were slender and long; his muscles rippled as he moved, and altogether he was of perfect conformation.

He got up and shook himself. With his light gold mane and tail flying he galloped. The sun flickered onto his golden body, through the now green-leaved trees, while the wind brushed against his face and through his mane.

Suddenly he stopped; there in front of him stood a beautiful silver Brumby. She shook her snow-white mane and started to move towards Yachica. Their muzzles met. Slowly they walked away, now and again stopping to look at each other.

Yachica and Silver Cloud cantered over Paradise. This time there followed them a pretty little filly. She was gold with a silver mane, tail and blaze.

It was a year since Yachica and Silver Cloud had met in the cool wood. Little Flicker was the exact image of the two, perhaps a little better in colour. Her coat shone like the sun in the early morning, while her silver points shimmered like Paradise Lake. She lived in a world of freedom and beauty, with the most beautiful horses that ever lived, to run wild over the land of love and peace, Paradise.

Amanda Dobney, 2S.

THE GHOSTS OF YESTERDAY

Quickly and silently through the night, Glimmering in the pale moonlight, Float the shadows of horses and men, Galloping through the leafy glen. The ghosts of soldiers of a byegone day, Among the trees they go their way, Dressed in armour scarlet and gold, Soldiers of old, so brave, so bold. I stood in a trance as they passed by, I hardly dared to blink an eye Under the trees I crouched in fear; Their horses' hooves I could clearly hear, Fighting a battle of days gone by, Their voices raised in ghostly cry, Their swords and shields in their hands, Warriors from distant lands. In a flash they disappeared. The night was silent, cold and weird, As in a dream I walked away, Leaving the Ghosts of Yesterday.

THE DUEL

The challenge is accepted,
The time appointed — dawn.
With steel-cold, deadly rapiers they fight
For a man's honour on that cold morn.
They knew that one must die.
They stand alone, face to face,
Narrowed eyes hiding inner fears.
Both advance, hearts, quickening in pace,
For each fights for honour and life or death.
Thrust and parry, on and on,
Then the fatal blow brings death,
The loser's heart pierced by rapier point.
He sinks down, gasping for a last breath,
They knew that one must die.

Pat Fitzgerald, VL.

LAMENT

If it were done when 'tis done, then 'twere well It were done quickly; if the dental surgeon Could finish up this dire business, and stop, With his needle, pain, that this extraction Might be the be-all and end-all here, But no, once one is out the rest must come. We'd gladly visit, but in most cases We still have fear of him; that we must face Electric drills, which soon approach the chair To make us quake, while this steady-handed dentist Commands the instruments of his noble trade To our open mouths.

Judith Orange, VS.

FLOWER POWER

My name is unimportant, Napoleon Unimportant to tell the truth and I am a secret agent of a world-wide organisation whose aim is to stop crime. My mission is to stop that enemy of all the world, the deadly Flower Power, the evil mind behind the plot to turn the world into one big nursery, with himself as chief gardener.

I crossed the street and cautiously walked through the gates and up the drive to the dark house. The front door swung open as I pushed it and slowly I entered, but it was too late. The floor opened up and I fell through and passed into unconsciousness. When I recovered Flower Power was standing in front of me. He was a terrible sight; he wore a purple mini-skirt, floral shirt, Wellington boots, and had daisies sticking out of his beard, with tulips sticking out of his ears. He uttered a freakish laugh and

suddenly the room was filled with Radio One jingles and lifesize pictures of Tony Blackburn and Jimmy Savile. Then my eyes were pounded with psychodelic lights, and psychodelic noises

pounded my ears.

Finally it finished and Flower Power leered over me, but I was not beaten, for I had my secret weapon. I pulled out my Radio Caroline Year Book and pictures of Frankie Vaughan and Des O'Connor. Flower Power reeled at the sight and begged for mercy, but quickly I played my final card and produced an insecticide spray. I sprayed and Flower Power disintegrated into a packet of Petunia seeds, which I burnt.

I left the house and brushed off my caftan, picked a bunch of flowers and, clutching my autographed photograph of the Maha-

rishi, began to meditate transcendentally.

P. Heath, IVS.

TRUE STORY

It happened on a No. 36 Bus on a cold night at Christmastime. Dozens of weary shopping-laden women struggled to get a seat and rest their aching feet. Why then, as the bus lurched along in heavy traffic and people were jabbed by umbrellas and bags, did no one occupy the empty seat at the front end? Grateful eyes lit up at the sight of the comfort ahead; then those same eyes were tactfully averted.

When the time for getting off the bus came, I decided to solve the mystery of the vacant seat. There lying in majestic splendour, were three silver herrings which had been left behind

by some unsuspecting woman.

So much for the reserve of the English.

Julia Nocks, 2S.

THE SCHOOL MAGAZINE

I sat down last night
With paper so clean
To write something for
The School Magazine.

Oh, what can I write?
They are very mean
To make me write for
The School Magazine.

What shall I say?
I shouldn't be so keen
To get into print in
The School Magazine.

I'll write of a King
And his beauteous Queen —
No ,they won't want that for
The School Magazine.

If I wrote of my travels

And sights I have seen

It would bore people reading

The School Magazine.

As I think how to start

On my elbow I lean.

I wish I hadn't heard of

The School Magazine.

Roses are red,
Grass is so green,
And black are my thoughts about
The School Magazine.

It's getting so late,
The paper's still clean;
No idea have I for
The School Magazine.

Catherine Evans, I.M.

THE SUN'S GLORY

As I watched, I became aware of the air of restfulness before me. I was looking over the most beautiful landscape. The sun was just setting behind a continuous row of jagged mountains, tinged orange by the slowly moving sphere, which gave an incandescent glow to everything in its path. A slight gap in the horizon allowed me to see a small part of the sea, now dark green and peaceful. The waves had ceased to play their games, and the water had become quite still except for the occasional playful puff of wind which would make the glassy surface ripple with excitement.

Glancing downwards I saw hundreds of cottages, clustered tightly together, as if each was seeking shelter from the other.

Again the fireball was playing its tricks. Long shadows had begun to appear as the glory of the evening was gradually subdued. Suddenly everything went black; the wonder had ceased, but would return again the next day, displaying the town in its golden array of fascinating colours.

SCHOOL STARTS TOMORROW

A schooner bound for China,

A jet-plane to Bombay,

A caravan to take me

A million miles away!

A scooter up to Scotland,

A tusker to Siam,

A ferry-boat to Calais,

A barge to Birmingham.

A whaler to the North Pole,

A bicycle to borrow,

Anything to anywhere,

For school starts tomorrow!

Jane Spires, IIIS.

Head Office.

NATIONALIZED INDUSTRIES' ORDER

If, in future, a foreman or shop-steward notices an employee has made no movement for a period of one hour, it will be his duty to investigate the case, as it is almost impossible to distinguish between death and natural movement of some employees.

Foremen are advised to make careful examination of a suspect by holding a pay-packet in front of the suspected corpse, as this is considered to be the most reliable test.

There have, however, been cases where natural instinct has been so deeply ingrained that the hand of a corpse has made spasmodic clutches after rigor mortis has set in.

The most successful test is to whisper "Sunday work". This has been known to restore animation to a body which has been motionless all week.

The foregoing tests should not be applied to foremen and shop stewards, as in these cases movement of any kind is unnecessary.

By order,

N. Barnes, VS.

THE CAMEL WHO HADN'T A HUMP

Our camel, old Cuthbert, was sunk,
He had no plain sign of a hump,
He prayed all the night and puffed with his might,
But produced not the tiniest lump.
His sister, Cuthberta, was proud,
And showed off to all of the crowd.
Our Cuthbert was seen turn a horrible green,
And say, "I want one; two's a crowd".
Cuthbert sat down in his stall,
Deciding how he'd end it all,
Something went jerk; his praying did work,
Now he's standing there, three humps in all.

Bryony Clarke, IVS.

THE OLD, OLD HOUSE

There was a poor old house
That once was full of folk,
But then was sad and empty,
And to me it spoke.

It said, "They all have fled;
My rooms are cold and bare;
The front door's locked and bolted,
And all the windows stare.

No postman brings me letters; No name is on my gate. I once was called "The Ivies", But now I'm out of date.

The garden's poor and weedy;
The trees won't leaf again,
But though I fall to ruin,
The ivy will remain."

OLIVER TWIST'S LAMENT

Work-work-work!

Till the brain begins to swim.

Work-work-work!

Till the eyes are heavy and dim.

Work-work-work!

That's all I seem to do.

Work-work-work!

Too much is bad for you.

Work-work-work!

My labour never flags.

And all I get

Is a crust of bread, and rags.

O food-food!

Enough I've never eaten.

Food-food-food!

If I ask for more I'm beaten.

Work-work-work!

In the dull December light,

And work-work-work!

When the weather's warm and bright.

Work-work-work!

It keeps me on all day. Whoever invented all this work Should give up all his play.

Wendy Salmon, 2S.

THE SWEET SHOP

"I wonder what to have today?"
Said Tommy to Miss Flynn.
She works in the little sweet shop
Beside the village inn.
She knows them all, both young and old.
Why! she's been there for years.
They tell her all their secrets,
Their hopes, perhaps their fears.
Ah! Here comes Mr. Peters.
He comes here every day
To buy sweets for the children
He meets along the way.
The next to call is Mr. Jim.
He likes to chew a toffee.

The flavours he likes best of all

Are butter, rum and coffee.

And so its goes on through the day
Until she locks the door,
But Miss Flynn knows that all her friends
Will come again for more.

Margaret Donovan, I.S.

SCHOOL

Every morning I rise at eight, My first thought is school; I must not be late. I get dressed quickly; I have not much time; In just under an hour, it will be nine. I arrive at school and I am not late, (Which takes from my mind, a most fearful weight.) I sit down at my desk; the lesson has started. Now how did this happen? This book has just parted. With half on the desk and half on the floor, The teacher lets out a tremendous roar. "A thousand lines for you, my girl." "Yes, sir", I mutter, my mind in a whirl. Lessons at long last draw to an end. Wearily homeward my way I wend, With homework and lines, a thousand no less. Why do I always get into a mess?

Bronwen Rees, IIIS.

ATTENTION PLEASE!

Fact: Your magazine cannot survive without your articles. Action: Submit articles to your committee early for next year's edition.

Reward: If yours is good enough, a worthy prize is awarded.

CROSS-WORD SOLUTIONS

Across

1. Autobiography; 7. Or; 8. Reign; 10. Ignition; 13. Document; 14. Rod; 15. Husband 16. Drear; 19. Ant; 20. Stertorous; 23. Ta; 24. Et; 25. Ocular; 28. Hydra; 29. Art; 30. Ensnare; 31. En; 33. Tie; 35. Ink; 36. Cultivation; 37. Gas; 38. Cut.

Down

1. Air conditioning; 2. Torture; 3. Bride; 4. Ornithology; 5. Rain; 6. Ye; 9. Zion; 11. Train; 12. Odd; 17. Riot; 18. Apartment; 21. Tenancy; 22. Sore; 23. Tar; 26. Canvas; 27. Lactic; 28. He; 32. Dig; 34. I.O.U.

Caroline Roseblade and Wendy Salmon, 2S.

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At the beginning of this Autumn Term 1968, we welcome two new members of staff:-

Mrs. Robinson from Kibworth High School, Leicestershire to teach Latin and French.

Mr. Woodcock from the Somerset School, Tottenham to teach History and English.

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M. J. Huxley, Mathematics, Physics.

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A. J. Loader, e, F, RK, G, M, P, C, Ed. A. P. Lynch, e, M. D. I. R. Ricketts, e, F, G, M, P, C, Ed. R. S. Smith, e, G, M, P, C. D. H. Walker, e, F, G, M, P, C, Ed. P. Wood, e, E, F, G, M, P, C, B. C. T. Wright, e, E, F, M, P, B. M. D. Yapp, e, E, F, RK, G, M, P, C. Patricia A. Beddows, e. Sheila J. Boyce, e, M. Krystina M. E. Chojnacka, e, M, Co. Suzanne M. Y. Dobney, e, E, L, F, RK, M, P, C, B. Barbara M. Duraj, e, É, F, H, G, RK, Pol. Alice. M, Grosvenor, e, E, H, M, P, B. Julie A. Hodgkins, e, É, F, H, RK, G, M, B, A. Margaret A. B. Holte, e, E, H.
Helena P. Horton, F, RK, M, Co.
Gillian M. Howard, e, E, F, H, RK, G, M, Hb, Co. Janine A. Janus, e, E, F. H. G. M, Hb, A. Dianne E. Megainey, e, F, M, Hb, Co. Jane Morris, e, E, F, M, Co, A. Sheila M. Newton, e, E, F, M. Judith M. Orange, e, E, F, G, M, P, C, Ed.

Susan M. Randall, e, E, G, M, Co, A. Imelda J. Saville, e, E, F, RK, Co, Mu. Judith A. Vondrak, e, E, F, M, B, A. Hilary A. Walker, e, E, F, M. Patricia A. White, e, E, F, H, G, M, B, Co. Lynn R. Wilkes, e, E, H.

Lower Sixth
Extra "O" level subjects.
C. J. Saunders, Sp.
Janice L. Baldwin, Sp.
Jane F. Green, N.
Anne J. Perkins, Sp.
T. Marilyn Whateley, N.

SCHOOL PREFECTS 1968-9

Head Boy: S. A. Mogg.

Deputy Head Boy: S. M. Jones.

Prefects: R. K. Bull, P. J. Chodera, P. A. Flewellyn, R. P. T. Flynn, J. C. Gidlow, A. D. Godfrey, B. S. Jones, M. R. Marsh. A. J. Philpott, S. B. F. Potts, C. J. Ricketts, C. J. Saunders, D. J. Shaw, D. J. Taylor, J. R. Tedstone, M. G. Walker, P. M. G. Whitmarsh, R. W. Woodward.

Head Girl: Audrey Rogers.

Deputy Head Girl: Jacqueline Howard.

Prefects: Janice Baldwin, Jane Beale, Stephanie Bradshaw, Alison Brazil, Anne Chapman, Monica Gay, Jacqueline Gray, Jane Green, Caroline Hancock, Susan Holder, Gillian Howard, Janine Janus, Joanne Kimber, Andrea Lewis, Christine Pagett, Anne Perkins, Dinah Taylor, Gillian Whitehouse, Jean Wright, Anne Yates.

SIXTH FORM LEAVERS

What are they going to do?

Paul Bryan — Engineering.

Michael Burn — Accountancy at Stratford.

Alan Fox — Biochemistry at Birmingham University.

Colin Hunt — Production Engineering at Lanchester College.

Michael Huxley — Materials Science at Sheffield University.

Paul Lester — Mechanical Engineering at Nottingham Tech. Coll.

David Parkes — Applied Science at Sussex University.

Richard Wilson — Civil Engineering at Fitzwilliam Coll., Camb.

Robert Savage — Law at King's College, London.

Alistair Short — Civil Engineering at Heriot-Watt University.

Frank Stevens — Higher National Certificate in Engineering.

John Yapp — Chemistry at Birmingham University.

Diana Boland — Leamington College of Art.

Vivien Davies — St. Mary's Teachers Training Coll., Cheltenham.

Elizabeth Downie — Bingley Teacher's Training College.

Denise Hands — Student teaching at Coughton School.

Linda Henson — Psychology at Hull University.

Anthea Jaggard — English and History at St. Hild's Teacher's Training College, Durham.

Sheila Little — Local Government.

Meryll Newborough — English and Theology at Leeds University.

Vivienne Powell - Banking.

Pamela Richardson — English, History and Law at Bristol Univ.

Jill Webley — English and History at Madeley Teacher's Training College.

Virginia Wilks — Home Economics at Gloucester Teacher's Training College.

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OLD SCHOLAR'S NEWS

John Kempster (scholar 1938-50) has been appointed to a lectureship in the Physics Department at the University of Manchester Institute of Science and Technology.

John R. W. Whitehouse (scholar 1934-39), who has lived in Canada for many years, has been awarded the Centennial Medal, in recognition of his work in education in Canada.

David Careless (scholar 1949-55), has been appointed chief assistant engineer (mechanical services) to the City of Coventry Corporation.

Seymour Scriven (scholar 1922-28) is now Manager of the Redditch Branch of Lloyds Bank.

W. T. Rippington (scholar 1930-35), has become a lecturer on the Staff of Solihull College of Higher Education.

Roy Collins (scholar 1942-45) is representing his club in a party of Young Farmers, who are attending a Farm Co-operation Conference in Ohio, U.S.A. Mr. Collins has been Church Warden of St. James, Weethley for ten years and is Chairman of the Parish Council.

Scholars of the thirties will be interested to learn that Mr. E. R. Cook, who was a member of the Staff of A.G.S. from 1930-40, has recently retired from teaching after twenty-nine years on the Staff of Cotham School, Bristol.

Robert Arnold (scholar 1934-41) is Chaplain at Guy's Hospital.

Congratulations to G. Bennett (1954-61) who has been awarded the degree of Doctor of Philosophy at London University. He is now employed at the Radio and Space Research Station at Slough, with a group of scientists studying the Aurora Borealis.

The following news of Old Scholars who left the Sixth Form in 1965 has reached us from a former Magazine editor:-

University Degrees have been gained by Ian Mason, Ross Tanner, Stephen Tuckey, David Wright, Ingrid Ison and Ann Ramwell; teaching diplomas by Sylvia Jones, Lindsay Morrison and Susan Perkins.

Pat Bullock, John Chapman and Ian Mason are continuing their University studies. Ann Ramwell is taking teacher's training at Leicester University, and Ingrid Ison is studying for a Certificate in Education at Homerton College, Cambridge.

BIRTHS

1967

Mr. and Mrs. C. Savidge (née Pauline Downing) — a son. Mr. and Mrs. R. N. Butler (née Patricia Sherlock) — a son.

1968

Mr. and Mrs. R. Wheeler (née Daphne Bailey) — twin sons.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Dunn (née Jane Eborall) — a daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. G. Trueman (née Pauline Chandler) — a son.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Nicholls (née Virginia Ross) — a son.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Fincher (née Jacqueline Streatham) — a son.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Fothergill (née Wendy Lovell) — a son.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Masters (née Juliet Fitzmaurice) — a son.

Mr. and Mrs. T. O'Nions (née Sheila Wiles) — a daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Fogg — a daughter.

MARRIAGES

1966

Peter J. Feast (1953-57) to Marjorie Gibbs.

1967

David Bruce Taylor to Roberta Grace Lord (1956-61).

Maurice Odell to Hazel Cox (1957-62).

John Higgins to Elizabeth Jeffrey (1958-63).

Peter Stuart Simcox (1958-61) to Judith Anita Bray.

Timothy William Bolton to Pamela Mary Finnemore (1955-61).

Robert Edmund Carleton (1955-60) to Maureen Ann Hyde.

Ian Frederick Slater to Christine Burton (1953-58).

Martin Denby to Ann Lidgey (1949-55).

1968

John Norman Charles Bunting to Sue Fitzmaurice (1959-64). Anthony Thomas Braines (1956-61) to Kathleen Ann Jones. Roger Allwood to Janet Wishaw (1954-61).

Roy Leslie Bagnell to Valerie Diane Welch (1955-60). Graham Peter Ryman (1958-63) to Brenda Valerie Lewin Andrew Reginald Taylor to Susan Lilian Perkins (1958-65). Maurice John Dyson to Hilary Jane Seviour (1960-65). William Mountford to Jennifer Chambers (1960-65). Alan Raymond Nott to Isabel Mavis Highman (1955-62). David Charles Bowie (1954-61) to Wendy Margaret Davies. William Edward Lewis to Kathleen Mary Strasser (1958-64). Howard Wagstaff to Alison Walford-Jones (1952-60). Frank Nutbrown to Sylvia Mary Jones (1958-65).

DEATHS

1967

In a car accident, Vivian L. Palmer (1957-62).

1968

Phyllis Miriam Sisam (1926-35). Ella Whitehouse (née Stock) (1913-21). Mildred Alice Hughes (née Lightfoot) (1912-13). William Gardner (1913-18). Colin Edward Buckley (1943-52).

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